thou must do it; thou art bound to do it; utterly regardless
of all consequences and at all cost." If my conscience sanctions
what another man's conscience would condemn, that only
shows that there is a moral difference of opinion in our res-
pective minds, not that his conscience is more loyal to what
is right than my conscience, nor mine more loyal than his.
It will be seen therefore that there is and can. be no moral
evil at all without the moral sense and that what we rightly
call " sin " would never have been perceived to be sin, would
never have roused the least opposition or a single effort at
self-control unless we had a moral sense. No matter how
dreadful the act committed, • it has no moral quality at all '
unless the person committing it knows that he is doing wrong.
No moral blame can possibly attach to a person who did not
fully .know at the time that he was doing wrong. ,

It may also be added that the moral sense, the conscience,
which leads up to the development of morals, is, as already
stated above, part of the original make-up of man's nature.
We find it wherever we find humanity. The knowledge of
morals was not for the first time revealed through Moses on,

Mount Sinai, or Buddha under the Bodhi tree, or Confucius on the Yaungtse, or Plato in the groves of the academy; nor was it first made known by Christ on the shores of the lake of Galilee. It pre-existed; the injunctions of Christ have been traced to more ancient writers, by whom they were recognised and taught to different nations. The Arabs knew what virtue and vice were before the appearance of their Prophet. It has been, justly said that the Roman Lucretia, though she worshipped Venus, yet died for chastity, the noblest act of virtue. The savage mother boasts that her son never uttered a faslehood. In the remotest ages, in the darkest regions, we find there is a perception of the true and the good,' prior to all other things, acknowledged as something superior- to all calculations, recognised promptly and in which heart responds to heart all the world over. -